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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1367

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1367 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5.878 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.878 new)

7 Sec. 5.878. The Healthy Local Food Incentives Fund.

8 Section 10. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
9 adding Section 12-4.50 as follows:

10 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.50 new)

11 Sec. 12-4.50. Healthy Local Food Incentives Program.

12 (a) Legislative findings. Diet and other lifestyle choices
13 contribute to more than half of all deaths in Illinois. Health
14 risk factors include smoking, obesity, stress, nutrition, high

1 blood pressure, and alcohol and drug use. Illinois residents
2 should be encouraged to adopt diets and lifestyles that lead to
3 wellness. The State can help provide that encouragement by
4 funding wellness programs that enhance the health of Illinois
5 residents. Healthy local food incentives encourage wellness
6 among some of the most vulnerable residents of Illinois (those
7 whose incomes are below the poverty line and who often have
8 limited access to fresh, healthy, and affordable foods) by
9 doubling the purchasing power of LINK cardholders at farmers
10 markets across the State. The benefits of such a program
11 include: an increase in population health, Medicaid health care
12 cost savings, decreased incidence of preventable diseases,
13 increased revenue for Illinois small farmers, and economic
14 stimulus for the region.

15 (b) Definitions. As used in this Section:

16 "FINI eligible fruits and vegetables" means any variety of
17 fresh, canned, dried, or frozen whole or cut fruits and
18 vegetables without added sugars, fats, or oils, and salt (i.e.
19 sodium), as defined by the Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive
20 Grant Program administered by the United States Department of
21 Agriculture.

22 "LINK card" means an electronic benefits transfer card
23 issued by the Department of Human Services for the purpose of
24 enabling a user of the card to obtain SNAP benefits or cash.

25 "SNAP" means the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
26 Program.

1 (c) The Department of Human Services shall establish a
2 Healthy Local Food Incentives Program to double the purchasing
3 power of Illinois residents with limited access to fresh fruits
4 and vegetables. The Healthy Local Food Incentives Fund is
5 created as a special fund in the State treasury for the purpose
6 of implementing the Healthy Local Food Incentives Program. All
7 moneys received pursuant to this Section shall be deposited
8 into the Healthy Local Food Incentives Fund.

9 (d) Subject to appropriation, the Department of Human
10 Services shall make an annual grant of \$500,000 from the Fund
11 to a qualified Illinois non-profit organization or agency,
12 which shall be distributed to participating Illinois farmers
13 markets for the purpose of providing matching dollar incentives
14 (up to a specified amount) for the dollar value of SNAP
15 benefits spent on FINI eligible fruits and vegetables at
16 participating Illinois farmers markets and direct
17 producer-to-consumer venues.

18 (e) The designated qualified non-profit organization or
19 agency shall have a demonstrated track record of:

20 (1) building a statewide network;

21 (2) designing and implementing successful healthy food
22 incentive programs that connect SNAP recipients with local
23 producers;

24 (3) implementing funds distribution and reporting
25 processes;

26 (4) providing training and technical assistance to

1 farmers markets;

2 (5) conducting community outreach and data collection;
3 and

4 (6) providing full accounting and administration of
5 funds distributed to farmers markets.

6 (f) 100% of the moneys deposited into the Fund shall be
7 distributed to participating Illinois farmers markets for
8 healthy local food incentives.

9 (g) Within 90 days after the end of a grant cycle, the
10 designated qualified non-profit organization or agency shall
11 submit a progress report to the Department of Human Services.
12 The progress report shall include the following information:

13 (1) the names and locations of Illinois farmers markets
14 and direct producer-to-consumer venues that received funds
15 distributed under the Program;

16 (2) the dollar amount of funds awarded to each
17 participating Illinois farmers market and direct
18 producer-to-consumer venue;

19 (3) the dollar amount of SNAP benefits, and funds
20 provided under the Program, that were spent at Illinois
21 farmers markets participating in the Program, as well as
22 the dollar amount of any unspent funds available under the
23 Program;

24 (4) the number of SNAP transactions carried out
25 annually at participating Illinois farmers markets;

26 (5) the impact of the Program on increasing the

1 quantity of fresh fruits and vegetables consumed by SNAP
2 families, as determined by customer surveys.

3 (h) No later than December 31, 2017, the Department of
4 Human Services shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of
5 this Section.

6 (i) This Section is repealed on June 30, 2019.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.".